

What is claimed is:

1. A method for the sharing of digital images comprising the steps of:

a) creating an image intent file;

b) transferring said image intent file to an image capture device;

c) capturing a digital image; and

d) sharing said digital image as specified in said image intent file when at least one intent object has been selected from said image intent file.

2. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 1, wherein said

transferring step uses at least one infrared transmitter and at least one infrared receiver.

3. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 2, wherein said

transferring step is initiated by the proximity of said infrared transmitter to said infrared receiver crossing a proximity threshold.

4. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 1, wherein said intent

file is created or edited on an electronic device.

5. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 1, wherein said sharing

step includes downloading said digital image to a computer from said image capture device using wireless technology.

6. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 5, wherein said sharing

step is initiated by the proximity of said image capture device to said computer crossing a proximity threshold.

7. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 5, wherein said sharing

step is initiated by said computer.

8. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 1, wherein said sharing
step includes downloading image and intent information from said image capture
device to an electronic device through a cable.
9. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 8, wherein said sharing
step is initiated by the connection of said cable between said image capture device and
said electronic device.
10. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 8, wherein said sharing
step is initiated by said electronic device.
11. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 1, wherein said sharing
step includes downloading image and intent information from said image capture
device using a removable memory card.
12. A method for the sharing of digital images as recited in claim 11, wherein said sharing
step is initiated by the insertion of said removable memory card.
13. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one modem object.
14. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one person object.
15. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one computer object.
16. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one printer object.
17. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one target object.
18. An image capture system as recited in claim 1, wherein said image intent file contains
at least one storage object.

26. An image capture system as recited in claim 24, wherein said transmitter is an
2 infrared transmitter.

27. An image capture system as recited in claim 26, wherein said transmitter is activated
2 to begin transmitting said at least one image and said at least one of said objects by
the proximity of said infrared transmitter to an infrared receiver within said electronic
4 device crossing a proximity threshold.

28. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one modem object.

29. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one person object.

30. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one computer object.

31. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one printer object.

32. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one target object.

33. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one storage object.

34. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one email object.

35. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one I-frame object.

36. An image capture system as recited in claim 22, wherein said image intent file
2 contains at least one web page object.

37. An image capture system comprising:

2 means for creating an image intent file;
 means for transferring said image intent file to an image capture device;
 4 means for capturing a digital image; and
 means for sharing said digital image as specified in said intent file when at least one
 6 intent object has been selected from said image intent file.

38. An image capture system as recited in claim 37, wherein said means for transferring
 2 uses at least one infrared transmitter and at least one infrared receiver.

39. An image capture system as recited in claim 38, wherein said means for transferring is
 2 activated by the proximity of said infrared transmitter to said infrared receiver
 crossing a proximity threshold.

40. An image capture system as recited in claim 37, wherein said means for sharing
 2 includes downloading said digital image to a computer from said image capture
 device using wireless technology.

41. An image capture system as recited in claim 40, wherein said means for sharing is
 2 activated by the proximity of said image capture device to said computer crossing a
 proximity threshold.

42. An image capture system as recited in claim 40, wherein said means for sharing is
 2 activated by said computer.

43. An image capture system as recited in claim 37, wherein said means for sharing
 2 includes downloading image and intent information from said image capture device to
 an electronic device through a cable.

44. An image capture system as recited in claim 43, wherein said means for sharing is
 2 activated by the connection of said cable between said image capture device and said
 electronic device.

45. An image capture system as recited in claim 43, wherein said means for sharing is
2 activated by said electronic device.

46. An image capture system as recited in claim 37, wherein said means for sharing
2 includes downloading image and intent information from said image capture device
using a removable memory card.

47. An image capture system as recited in claim 46, wherein said means for sharing is
2 activated by the insertion of said removable memory card.